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B. WRAPPING PAPER IN SHAPE OF
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Captain WILL FRITZ, Dallas, Texas Police Department, advised that he talked with RUTH WESLEY FRAZIER and FRAZIER described the sack as about two feet in length, and of brown paper. He advised that FRAZIER stated it was long enough to have contained curtain rods. FRITZ asked FRAZIER if the curtain rods could have been heavy enough to have the same weight as the rifle. FRAZIER stated the sack was large enough that it could have contained enough curtain rods to weigh the same as a rifle.

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Detective R. D. LEWIS, polygraph operator, Dallas, Texas, Police Department, stated that he ran a polygraph of BUELL WESLEY FRAZIER, and while he was running the polygraph, FRAZIER was shown what appeared to be a homemade brown heavy paper gun case. He stated that FRAZIER said that it was possible that this was the case, but he did not think that it resembled it. He stated that the crinkly brown paper sack that OSWALD had when he rode to work with him that morning was about two feet long. (LEWIS refers to the brown, heavy paper gun case. LEWIS refers to the paper in this manner because of the fact that the Dallas Police Department is of the opinion the brown, heavy paper was used by OSWALD to carry the rifle into the building where he was working. The paper referred to by LEWIS is not a gun case at all.)

Detective LEWIS stated that if this was not identical with the sack that was turned over to the Bureau, it is possible that OSWALD may have thrown it away. The police have turned over everything that they have in the Crime Laboratory to SA DRAIN. This has been stated by Captain GEORGE DOUGHTY, Head of the Crime Laboratory, Lieutenant CARL DAY of the Crime Laboratory, and R. D. LEWIS, polygraph operator in the Crime Laboratory. These individuals state that as far as they know, the paper sack of the type described by FRAZIER was not recovered by the Police Department. It is possible, but improbable, that it was recovered by the Homicide Bureau. If so, they do not know anything about it in the Crime Laboratory of the Dallas Police Department.

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On this date, Special Agents ODUM and MC NEELY went to the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) building, 411 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas, where R. S. TRULY, an employee of TSBD made available paper and tape in the shipping area of TSBD on the first floor. He advised that while LEE HARVEY OSWALD was an employee of TSBD from October 16, 1963, to November 22, 1963, he had access to this area.

The paper he made available was described as sixty-pound paper, 24 inches wide, and he stated this is used in all wrapping at TSBD. The tape he made available is gummed, brown paper tape, three inches wide, made on sixty-pound paper stock. He stated that all paper and tape are ordered from the same sources and the suppliers for all tape and paper used in TSBD since October 16, 1963, are the same sources.

Using the original paper sack found at the window on the sixth floor of TSBD, November 22, 1963, from which the shots killing President JOHN F. KENNEDY were apparently fired, a replica sack was made in the same manner as the original had apparently been made, to the same dimensions, and using the paper and tape provided by Mr. TRULY.

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FUTH PAINE, 2515 West Fifth Street, examined a replica sack made by Special Agents BARDWELL D. ODUM and GIBBON E. MC NEELY on December 1, 1963, at the Texas School Book Depository (TSB) Building, 411 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas, from paper and tape available in the shipping room on the first floor of that building. It was made to the dimensions and in the same manner as the original sack found on the sixth floor of that same building on November 22, 1963, by the window from which the shots causing the death of President JOHN F. KENNEDY were fired. The original sack was also shown to Mrs. PAINE.

Mrs. PAINE advised that she does not recall seeing LEE OSWALD in possession of any sack resembling either of these sacks, nor does she recall seeing him in possession of paper or tape of the type used on either of these sacks.

She advised that she does not recall seeing any paper or tape of the same type used in either sack in her home, and does not believe she ever had such. She produced two small rolls of gummed paper tape, and samples were taken of each.

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BUELL WESLEY FRAZIER was interviewed at his home, 2439 West Fifth Street, Irving, Texas, telephone BL 3-8965, and furnished the following information:

On November 21, 1963, sometime before noon, the exact time unrecalled to him, FRAZIER was approached by LEE OSWALD on the first floor of the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) Building, 411 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas, where both were employed. They were standing toward the north side of the building near the stairs that lead to the basement. OSWALD asked FRAZIER if he could ride home with him that night, and FRAZIER told him he could but asked why he wanted to ride, since he usually rode home with FRAZIER on Friday nights, returning on Monday mornings. OSWALD replied that he wanted to get some curtain rods in Irving and take them to his room in Oak Cluff.

At about 4:45 PM, on November 21, 1963, FRAZIER and OSWALD departed the TSBD Building, walked to FRAZIER's car and drove to Irving. OSWALD did not have a package and was not carrying anything with him at that time. As FRAZIER recalls, OSWALD was wearing a reddish shirt and a grey jacket, waist length. Very little was said on the way home by OSWALD, and FRAZIER is unable to recall comments made by him. He let OSWALD off at 2515 West Fifth Street, Irving, Texas, where OSWALD's wife was living. He did not see OSWALD again that night.

At about 7:20 AM, November 22, 1963, FRAZIER recalls that OSWALD looked in the kitchen window at FRAZIER's home and waited outside the house until FRAZIER joined him to go to work. This was within a period of about 5 minutes from the time OSWALD first appeared.

FRAZIER went to his car, entered the left front door, while OSWALD entered the right front door, both getting into the front seat. As he started to drive out of the yard, FRAZIER glanced back and noticed a long package, light brown in color, lying on the back of the rear seat and extending from approximately the right rear door to about the center

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of the seat. He stated that he only glanced at this package, at the time, over his shoulder and said something to OSWALD about the package, and OSWALD explained that it was curtain rods. FRAZIER then remarked to OSWALD, "Oh, yes, you said you were going to get some curtain rods yesterday."

FRAZIER designated an approximate spot on the back seat where he felt the package extended to from the right rear door and measurement by Special Agents BARDWELL D. ODUM and GIBBON E. MC NEELY determined that this spot was 27 inches from the inside of the right rear door, indicating that FRAZIER estimates that as the length of the package.

FRAZIER stated that he and OSWALD drove to work, and he parked the car about two blocks north of the TSBD Building. OSWALD got out of the car first, and FRAZIER noticed him standing to the rear of the car at the time FRAZIER was about to get out of the front seat. As OSWALD turned to walk south toward the TSBD Building, FRAZIER observed that OSWALD had this package under his right arm, one end of the package being under his armpit and the other end apparently held with his right fingers. OSWALD then walked toward the building with his back to FRAZIER and continued in front of FRAZIER for the entire distance, possibly 200 or 300 yards. FRAZIER followed at a slower pace than OSWALD, watching some welders working on the railroad track. By the time OSWALD reached the TSBD Building, he was at least 50 feet ahead of FRAZIER, and when FRAZIER entered the building he did not see OSWALD and does not know where he went. He did not subsequently see him with the package again.

FRAZIER stated that when he saw this package under the arm of OSWALD, he reached the conclusion that the package was wrapped in a cheap, crinkly, thin paper sack, such as that provided by Five and Ten Cent Stores.

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He stated that now upon reflecting upon this matter, he realizes that he reached this conclusion when he observed the package under OSWALD's arm as OSWALD was turned with his back toward him. FRAZIER indicated the approximate closest distance that OSWALD was to FRAZIER with the package under his arm, and this was found to be approximately 12 feet by Special Agent ODUM.

Special Agent ODUM placed the replica sack under his right armpit, and FRAZIER demonstrated how much of the package he could see. When this was completed to FRAZIER's satisfaction, Special Agent MC NEELY measured the part of the package visible, and it was found to measure 9" x 1".

The replica sack was made on December 1, 1963, at the TSBD Building by Special Agents ODUM and MC NEELY from 24-inch-wide wrapping paper found in the shipping area of the TSBD Building and 4-inch-wide gummed paper tape from the same area. The replica was made to the dimensions of the original which was available for reference. The original is the sack found near the sixth floor window of the TSBD Building on November 22, 1963, following the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY.

FRAZIER advised after viewing the replica sack under the arm of Special Agent ODUM, that he now realizes that his conclusion that the sack was thin, crinkly paper, of the type used by Five and Ten Cent Stores, was based to a considerable extent upon the fact that the color of the sack was a very light brown as compared with the type of dark brown paper used for heavier grocery sacks. He noted that the color of the replica sack was the same color as the package which he had seen in possession of OSWALD on the morning of November 22, 1963.

FRAZIER examined the original found by the sixth floor window of the TSBD Building on November 22, 1963, and

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stated that if that sack was originally the color of the replica sack, it could have been the sack or package which he saw in the possession of OSWALD on the morning of November 22, 1963, but that he does not feel he is in a position to definitely state that this original is or is not the sack.

FRAZIER indicated on the replica sack the estimated width of the package in possession of OSWALD on the morning of November 22, 1963, and this was found to be an approximate width of 6 inches.

FRAZIER recalls that at some time, probably on the way to work on the morning of November 22, 1963, OSWALD told him that he would not be going to Irving, Texas, on Friday night, November 22, 1963. He could recall no other conversation by OSWALD except that on the way to work that morning, he mentioned to OSWALD that he probably had a good time playing with his children, and OSWALD said that he did.

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LINNIE MAE RANDLE, 2439 West Fifth Street, Irving, Texas, telephone BL 3-8965, furnished the following information:

On the morning of November 22, 1963, at approximately 7:10 AM to 7:15 AM, LINNIE MAE RANDLE was standing at her sink in the kitchen looking out the window, when she saw LEE HARVEY OSWALD walking diagonally across Westbrook Street toward the back yard of her house. Westbrook Street borders her home on the west, and OSWALD was proceeding from Fifth Street diagonally across Westbrook in a northeasterly direction. She noticed that he was walking west, and he came across the street toward the carport which adjoins the kitchen. She opened the back door a slight bit to see what he was doing and saw him go to the far side of her brother's car, which was parked just north of the carport and headed in an easterly direction toward Westbrook Street. She noticed OSWALD opened the right rear door of the car, and presuming he was getting in the car, she turned back to the sink after hearing the car door shut. She then looked up out the window and saw him looking in the window at her from the outside. She was startled and somewhat irritated and called to her brother, BUELL WESLEY FRAZIER, that OSWALD was waiting to ride to work with him.

Mrs. RANDLE stated that at the time she saw OSWALD walking across the street, he was carrying a long package wrapped in brown paper or a brown sack in his right hand. It appeared to contain something heavy. She stated that it was long but did not touch the ground as he walked across the street.

She examined a replica of the sack made by Special Agents BARDWELL D. ODUM and GIBSON E. MC NEELY on December 1, 1963, from 24-inch-wide brown wrapping paper with 4-inch gummed brown paper tape, from the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) Building shipping room area at 411 Elm Street, Dallas. She stated that this was the same kind of paper that made up the sack or package that she saw OSWALD carrying and was the same heavy grade of paper, since she recalls noting that there

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was something heavy in the sack when she saw it, and it was the same color paper as the sack she had seen on the morning of November 22, 1963.

She was shown the original paper sack which had been found by the sixth floor window of the TSBD Building, where empty cartridge cases were found and from which the shots were apparently fired that killed President JOHN F. KENNEDY on November 22, 1963. She stated that if that original sack was previously the same color as the replica sack, that the original sack could have been the one which she saw OSWALD carrying on the morning of November 22, 1963.

The action of OSWALD walking across Westbrook Street was re-enacted by Special Agent MC NEELY, carrying the replica sack with three scraps of wood in it to simulate weight until Mrs. RANDLE designated the proper path and the proper length of the sack as seen by her on November 22, 1963. The replica was shortened by folding the open top down to reach the desired length. Then, in accordance with Mrs. RANDLE's observations, Special Agent MC NEELY grasped the top of this sack with his hand, much like a right handed batter would pick up a baseball bat when approaching the plate. When the proper length of the sack was reached according to Mrs. RANDLE's estimate, it was measured and found to be 27 inches long. She demonstrated the width of the sack as it appeared to her, noting that it did have something bulky in it originally. Her designation on the replica sack was found to be 8 1/2 inches for the width of the original package she had seen OSWALD carrying.

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DANNY GARCIA ARCE, residing 1502 Bennett, employed as order filler, Texas School Book Depository, Elm and Houston Streets, said he arrived for work between 8 a.m. and 8:05 a.m., November 22, 1963, and when he first came to the Texas School Book Depository on that morning he, on the first floor of the building, observed LEE HARVEY OSWALD around the book racks. OSWALD had arrived ahead of him and, therefore, ARCE did not have an opportunity to observe OSWALD when he reported for duty the morning of November 22, 1963.

When first observed on the above date, OSWALD was not carrying any paper bag or sack, nor had ARCE on the previous day observed OSWALD carrying any paper bag or sack.

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